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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.115**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

The Applicant would like to file the following preliminary amendment for the above-entitled patent application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please add claims 17-28 as follows.

17. A method for performing a medical procedure, comprising:  
inserting a tip through tissue at an incision point; and,  
moving the tip to emulsify tissue at an operating temperature below a temperature that will denature tissue at the incision point.
18. The method of claim 17, wherein the tip is moved with packets of pulses.
19. The method of claim 18, wherein the tip is moved with a transducer and the pulses are provided so that the transducer does not resonate.